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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 46/180 of 19 December 1991 and 47/227 of 8 April 1993,

Taking note of the steps taken to complete the restructuring process of the Institute, including the writing-off of the debt through the disposition of the building of the Institute in New York, the transfer of its headquarters from New York to Geneva, the designing of programmes with a focus on providing training programmes and research activities related to training and, finally, the introduction of strict administrative and financial management criteria,

Recognizing the importance and relevance of the interdisciplinary training functions within the United Nations system, under the statute of the Institute, the research activities, and research relating to training aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of the work of the United Nations, in particular those undertaken by the full-time senior Fellows of the Institute, without salary or any other renumeration,

1. Invites the international community to make voluntary contributions to the restructured the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, so as to assure its viability and the future development of its training programmes;

2. Calls upon the Secretary-General, in pursuance of paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 47/227, to designate a liaison officer to organize and coordinate the existing training programmes and research activities relating to training in New York, within existing resources;

3. Decides that, as an interim measure and without budgetary implications, the full-time senior research Fellows, appointed in 1992, should continue in their functions and status until a final decision is taken in this regard, on the basis of the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute, by the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide office space in Geneva and New York and the usual logistical and administrative support for the Institute;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.